

# THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## **Seeks public input on ASARCO's proposal to install a source control measure at the former acid plant sediment drying area at the East Helena smelter site.**

The former acid plant sediment drying area has been identified as a significant source area with high arsenic groundwater concentrations. EPA and ASARCO have evaluated alternatives for source control to address the contamination at this area. The installation of a slurry wall and both a temporary and permanent cap is being proposed as the final remedy for this source area. The specifics of this conceptual remedy proposal are summarized in the ASARCO East Helena Smelter Groundwater Corrective Action Plan document. EPA is requesting comments on this selected remedy.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Copies of the conceptual remedy document are available for public review at the following locations: 1) EPA Office, 10 W 15<sup>th</sup> St., Helena, MT; 2) East Helena City Hall, 306 E. Main Street, East Helena, MT; 3) Lewis & Clark Library, 120 S. Last Chance Gulch St., Helena, MT.

Comments on this proposal must be received by Friday, October 20, 2006.

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